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Sub: Raising of queries in the EAC Meetings - Regarding.

It has been emphasized time and again in the past that all the queries relating to a particular project during its consideration by the respective Expert Appraisal Committees should be raised in one go so as to ensure that the response / clarifications, if any, could be obtained comprehensively and any piece-meal seeking of information is not in order. It has, however, been reported that for some cases information is being asked from the project proponent in a piece-meal manner and every time the project comes up for hearing by the Expert Appraisal Committee, some new issues are raised.

The undersigned has been directed to reiterate that the information / clarifications, required, if any, relating to a particular project should be sought from the proponent in one go only. No fresh issues should be raised subsequently until and unless these issues have a direct bearing with the issues raised earlier or the clarifications / information furnished in response to the earlier queries. The reasons for seeking second set of queries / information should accordingly be reflected in the minutes of meeting too. All the Member Secretaries / Officers of IA Division are requested to note these instructions and implement without fail.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(S.K. Aggarwal) Director

To

All Officers of IA Division

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